GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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Number of Schemes
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of schemes implemented by the Government to promote educational development of minorities and women population in the country; and
(b) the total budget allocated by the Government for the above purpose and the total fund spent till date?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Human Resource Development has several schemes to promote educational development including those of minorities and women. The Scheme for Providing Quality Education for Madarsas (SPQEM) and Scheme of Infrastructure Development in Minority Institutions (IDMI) are exclusively for educational development of minorities. Under Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) special provisions have been made to cater to the needs of minorities and girls. In Rashtriya Ucchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA), financial assistance is given for establishment of polytechnics, women hostel and Model Degree Colleges in Minority Concentration Districts (MCDs) also.
The University Grants Commission (UGC) has the following schemes for the benefit of minority communities and women:-
(i) Remedial Coaching for SC/ST/OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) and Minority Community Students;
(ii) Coaching for National Eligibility Test (NET)/State Eligibility Test(SET) for SC/ST/OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) and minority community students;
(iii) Coaching Classes for entry into services SC/ST/OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) and minority community students;
(iv) Coaching Classes for Residential for Minorities/SC/ST and Women.
(v) Indira Gandhi Scholarship for Single Girl Child for Pursuing Higher and Non-Technical Education;
(vi) Post-Doctoral Fellowships for Women
(vii) Swami Vivekananda Single Girl Child Scholarship
(viii) Construction of Women's Hostels for Colleges
(ix) Development of Women's Studies in Universities and Colleges

The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) gives concessions in setting up new technical institutions under the category of minority institutions to encourage minorities to establish new educational institutions and thus enable easy access to technical education to minority students in the country. AICTE has launched a Scheme titled 'Pragati' in November, 2014 for providing
The Central Bureau of Secondary Education (CBSE) has launched UDAAN a project to provide free online resources to girl students of Class XI and Class XII for preparation of admission test for the premier engineering colleges in the country.

The Ministry of Minority Affairs implements Post-Matric Scholarship Schemes for Class XI to Ph.D., Merit-Cum-Means (MCM) scholarships for professional and technical courses for higher education of minorities and Maulana Azad National Fellowships to Minority students pursuing M.Phil/Ph.D in universities/colleges. Under the 'Padho Pardesh Scheme' of the Ministry of Minority Affairs, interest subsidy on educational loan for overseas studies is provided. In all scholarship/fellowship schemes of the Ministry of Minority Affairs, a minimum 30% of the seats are earmarked for girls.
The details of funds allocated and expenditure in respect of the major schemes is given at Annexure-A.
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